



**ACS 105 Theological Terminology
Hybrid Course Syllabus
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COURSE DESCRIPTION

The purpose of this course is to assist ACS students in comprehending theological terms frequently used in a seminary setting. The student will demonstrate an ability to communicate his/her understanding effectively in written and verbal English.

COURSE GOALS

After completing the Theological Terminology course, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate competency to explain basic theological terminology using comprehensive English skills in real-life situations.
2. Explain the grand story of Scripture and what it reveals to us about the mission of God to redeem his lost creation.
3. Demonstrate the ability to read and write English in ways that will serve them best as members of the seminary community and in English-speaking ministry contexts.

COURSE OBJECTIVES

At the successful completion of this course, students should be able to:

1. Demonstrate competency in using comprehensive English skills in written and verbal communication.
2. Explain how key theological terms are understood in American seminary education.
3. Sharpen critical thinking skills for scholarly response, reflection, and research papers.
4. Formulate personal goals for studying and improving their ability to communicate well in seminary education.

REQUIRED READING

Dunbar, Paul, *Wordbook of Missional Theology*, Carlisle, PA: Parson Books, 2013.
(Available for sale on the first day of class)

RECOMMENDED RESOURCE

[Dodd, Debbie, *Dictionary of Theological Terms in Simplified English: A Resource for English-language Learners*, Wheaton, IL: EMIS, 2003. ISBN: 1-879089-37-8](#)

ASSIGNMENTS

Assignment	Objectives	Due Date	Where to submit assignment
1. Weekly Assignments	1, 2, 3, 4	weekly	submitted online
2. Weekly Quizzes	1, 2, 3	weekly	online or in class
3. Final Examination	1, 2, 3	May 17, 2019	completed in class
4. Final Presentation	1, 2, 3, 4	May 17, 2019	completed in class
5. Class Participation	1	weekly	in class and online

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ASSIGNMENT DESCRIPTIONS

1. **Weekly Assignments:** Each week, students will submit answers to textbook exercises. Instructor will specify the required chapter exercises to be completed (56% of final grade).
2. **Weekly Quizzes:** Quizzes on selected vocabulary will be given each week in class or online. Words being tested will be words from weekly assignments and in-class discussions, as well as review words from previous weeks (14% of final grade).
3. **Final Examination:** During the last class of the semester, a final examination of words taught throughout the course will be completed (10% of final grade).
4. **Final Presentation:** During the last class of the semester, all students will come prepared to give a short presentation (5-10 minutes) on one of the theological terms studied this semester (5% of final grade).
5. **Class Participation:** Students are expected to be prepared to fully participate in discussions and learning activities, whether in class or online (15% of final grade).

PLEASE NOTE: *Points will be deducted for any assignments not submitted on time.*

COURSE PROCEDURES & COURSE REQUIREMENTS

This course runs on a hybrid schedule, and meets on campus every other Friday from 9:30 AM to 3:00 PM. Alternate weeks are online. Students are required to attend every class period. Students are to be prepared to discuss the reading and the assignments, whether in class or online.

How to Label and Submit Assignments: Submit assignments in the manner indicated in the assignment chart above.

When submitting electronic assignments, label assignments in the subject line with YOUR NAME and the ASSIGNMENT # or Title. Example: **lee_sam_HW_01**

Attendance: There is a positive correlation between attendance, learning, and grades. Classroom participation reinforces the exercises and assignments completed outside of class (through repetition/further practice) and provides an opportunity to ask questions about items or concepts that are unclear to the student. It is also an opportunity to interact with classmates and to learn from others' questions and insights. Please plan to attend every class.

Cheating: The community of Missio Seminary expects a commitment to integrity in all areas of life. Cheating is an expression of fraud and deception. Cheating includes (but is not limited to) representing another's work as your own (such as a Bible version) or copying someone else's homework, quiz, or test, (in current or past classes). Students found cheating will receive a zero for the assignment, quiz, or exam (and perhaps the course), and may face further action by the academic office, such as expulsion from school.

Help: If you are experiencing difficulty, please let the instructor know. ACS instructors want to help you succeed in their courses. Check the office hours above. Students are also encouraged to discuss any difficulties with the director of ACS.

COURSE SCHEDULE

Session	Classes & Due Dates	Topics, Reading & Assignments
WEEK 1 CAMPUS	Friday, 02/01/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Introduction to the course, schedule, and assignments Orientation to hybrid learning Introduction to Theology and Missional Theology
	Thursday, 02/07/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 1, HW_01 and QZ_01
WEEK 2 ONLINE	Friday, 02/08/19	Understanding the Story of the Bible The Mission of God
	Thursday, 02/14/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 2, HW_02 and QZ_02
WEEK 3 CAMPUS	Friday, 02/15/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Communion: God's Desire for Intimate Friendship Revelation and the Trinity
	Thursday, 02/21/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 3, HW_03 and QZ_03
WEEK 4 ONLINE	Friday, 02/22/19	Kingdom of God Theology & the Sovereignty of God
	Thursday, 02/28/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 4, HW_04 and QZ_04
WEEK 5 CAMPUS	Friday, 03/01/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Creation: God's Glory Revealed Theology and Anthropology
	Thursday, 03/07/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 5, HW_05 and QZ_05
WEEK 6 ONLINE	Friday, 03/08/19	Crisis: God's Design Marred Hamartiology
	Thursday, 03/14/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 6, HW_06 and QZ_06
WEEK 7 CAMPUS	Friday, 03/15/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Covenant: God's Plan Revealed Soteriology
	Thursday, 03/21/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 7, HW_07 and QZ_07
WEEK 8 ONLINE	Friday, 03/22/19	Christ: God's Atonement with Humanity (Part 1) Christology: Incarnation
	Thursday, 03/28/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 8, HW_08 and QZ_08
WEEK 9 CAMPUS	Friday, 03/29/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Mid-Term Review Christ: God's Atonement with Humanity (Part 2) Christology: Atonement
	Thursday, 04/04/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 9, HW_09 and QZ_09
WEEK 10 ONLINE	Friday, 04/05/19	Christ: God's Atonement with Humanity (Part 3) Christology: Ascension
	Thursday, 04/11/19	<i>Wordbook:</i> Session 10, HW_10 and QZ_10

WEEK 11 CAMPUS	Friday, 04/12/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Church: God's Mission Continues (Part 1) Ecclesiology & Pneumatology
NO CLASS DURING HOLY WEEK		
	Thursday, 04/25/19	<i>Wordbook: Session 11, HW_11 and QZ_11</i>
WEEK 12 ONLINE	Friday, 04/26/19	Church: God's Mission Continues (Part 2) Ecclesiology & Spiritual Gifts
	Thursday, 05/02/19	<i>Wordbook: Session 12, HW_12 and QZ_12</i>
WEEK 13 CAMPUS	Friday, 05/03/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Church: God's Mission Continues (Part 3) Ecclesiology & Spiritual Formation
	Thursday, 05/09/19	<i>Wordbook: Session 13, HW_13 and QZ_13</i>
WEEK 14 ONLINE	Friday, 05/10/19	Consummation: God's Plan Completed Eschatology
	Thursday, 05/16/19	<i>Wordbook: Session 14, HW_14 and QZ_14</i>
WEEK 15 CAMPUS	Friday, 05/17/19 9:30 a.m. - Noon, 12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Final Presentations Final Examination

ACADEMIC POLICIES AND STUDENT RESPONSIBILITY

Please note that candidates are fully responsible to know and follow all the ACS rules, regulations, and deadlines published in the student handbook.

ACADEMIC AND GENERAL INTEGRITY

As followers of Jesus Christ, we are called to integrity and Christ-likeness in all areas of life. What this means in the academic realm is that all assignments are to reflect your own work. Those found guilty of cheating or plagiarism will receive a grade of zero on the assignment and will follow the process outlined in the current handbook. Plagiarism is against the law in the United States of America.

Definition of plagiarism: To plagiarize is “to steal or purloin and pass off as one’s own (ideas, writings, etc., of another)” (*Webster’s new collegiate dictionary*, 1953). Plagiarism is theft. Not putting the definition above within quotation marks, not crediting Webster’s (via the text citation), or changing a word (e.g., “claim” for “pass off”) and presenting the definition as your own would all be plagiarism. In other words, plagiarism is using someone else’s material without giving that person credit. Other forms of plagiarism include mixing unmarked quotations with your own words and putting a single reference at the end of the paragraph, buying a paper from a term paper service (from any source, including one of those online), turning in a paper written by a student who already took the course, or having someone else write your paper. Writing the paper with another student is also plagiarism. Copying and pasting from a website, electronic document, or other source is stealing and is plagiarism. If in doubt, ask your professor or the library staff *before* you turn in your paper or project.

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GRADING SYSTEM

To remain in good academic standing in Advanced Cultural Studies, a student must maintain a 2.5 grade point average. ACS's grading system is:

MISSIO SEMINARY GRADING SYSTEM			
A	4.00	93.0 -100	Superior
A-	3.67	90.0 – 92.9	
B+	3.33	87.0 – 89.9	
B	3.00	83.0 – 86.9	Good
B-	2.67	80.0 – 82.9	
C+	2.33	77.0 – 79.9	
C	2.00	73.0 – 76.9	Fair
C-	1.70	70.0 – 72.9	
D+	1.30	67.0 – 69.9	Poor
D	1.00	63.0 – 66.9	
D-	.70	60.0 – 62.9	
F	0.00	00. - 59.9	Failing